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Suppression of the traffic in persons

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling Commission on Human Rights resolutions 1982/20 of 10 March 1982 1/ on the question of slavery and the slave trade in all their practices and manifestations, including the slavery-like practices of apartheid and colonialism, 1988/42 of 8 March 1988, 2/ 1989/35 of 6 March 1989, 3/ 1990/63 of 7 March 1990, 4/ and 1991/58 of

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* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

1/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 2 (E/1982/12), chap. XXVI, sect. A.

2/ Ibid., 1988, Supplement No. 2 and corrigendum (E/1988/12 and Corr.1), chap. II, sect. A.

3/ Ibid., 1989, Supplement No. 2 (E/1989/20), chap. II, sect. A.

4/ Ibid., 1990, Supplement No. 2 and corrigendum (E/1990/22 and Corr.1), chap. II, sect. A.

6 March 1991 5/ and 1992/47 of 3 March 1992 6/ and taking note of Commission resolutions 1993/27 of 5 March 1993 7/ and decision 1993/122 of 10 March 1993 8/ on the reports of the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and 1992/74 of 5 March 1992 on programmes of action for the prevention of the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography and for the elimination of the exploitation of child labour, 6/

Recalling also its resolutions 1982/20 of 4 May 1982 and 1983/30 of 26 May 1983 on the suppression of the traffic in persons and of the exploitation of the prostitution of others, 1988/34 of 27 May 1988 and 1989/74 of 24 May 1989 on the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, and 1990/46 of 25 May 1990, 1991/35 of 31 May 1991 and 1992/10 of 20 July 1992 on the suppression of the traffic in persons,

Recalling further Commission on Human Rights resolution 1992/36 on a draft programme of action for the prevention of traffic in persons and the exploitation of the prostitution of others,

Considering that the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Economic and Social Council on the suppression of the traffic in persons and the exploitation of the prostitution of others 9/ still constitutes a useful basis for further action,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Council resolution 1983/30 on the suppression of the traffic in persons and of the exploitation of the prostitution of others, 10/

5/ Ibid., 1990, Supplement No. 2 (E/1991/22), chap. II, sect. A.

6/ Ibid., 1992, Supplement No. 2 (E/1992/22), chap. II, sect. A.

7/ Ibid., 1993, Supplement No. 3 (E/1993/23), chap. II, sect. A.

8/ Ibid., chap. II, sect. B.

9/ E/1983/7 and Corr.1 and 2.